

# HOUSE BILL No. 1176

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-22-39-2.

**Synopsis:** Driver's license penalty for game law violations. Provides that for failure to appear in response to a summons for a violation committed within the view of a conservation officer, the court shall: (1) for a resident, issue an order to suspend the defendant's driver's license and notify the bureau of motor vehicles (BMV) of the suspension; or (2) for a nonresident, notify the BMV of the defendant's failure to appear. Requires the BMV, upon receipt of notice concerning a nonresident, to notify the driver licensing authority of the defendant's state and ask that state to take appropriate action under its laws. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the natural resources study committee.)

**Effective:** July 1, 2002.

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January 9, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 14-22-39-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2       FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 2. (a) A conservation  
3       officer may issue a summons for a violation committed within the view  
4       of the conservation officer if the defendant promises to appear by  
5       signing the summons.

6       (b) A defendant who fails to appear as commanded by the summons:

7               (1) is in contempt of court; and

8               (2) may be fined not more than twenty dollars (\$20).

9       (c) Upon a failure to appear, the court shall **do the following**:

10              **(1) Issue a warrant for the arrest of the defendant.**

11              **(2) If the defendant has an Indiana driver's license or permit:**

12                      **(A) issue an order to suspend the defendant's driver's**  
13                      **license or permit until the defendant appears in court and**  
14                      **the case is disposed of; and**

15                      **(B) forward notice of the order to the bureau of motor**  
16                      **vehicles.**

17              **(3) If the defendant has a driver's license or permit issued by**



1 a state other than Indiana, forward notice of the defendant's  
2 failure to appear to the bureau of motor vehicles. The bureau  
3 of motor vehicles shall:

4 (A) notify the driver licensing authority of the defendant's  
5 state of the defendant's failure to appear; and

6 (B) request that the defendant's state take appropriate  
7 action under the laws of that state until the defendant  
8 appears in court and the case is disposed of.

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